

REMARKS

Consideration of the captioned application in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is requested.

The specification has been amended to refer to the priority applications.

Claims 1-4, 6, 8 and 10-13 are currently pending. Claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11 and 13 are currently amended, without disclaimer of, or prejudice to, the subject matter deleted, to remove multiple dependencies and to comport with U.S. style claim practice. Claims 5, 7 and 9 are hereby cancelled, without disclaimer of, or prejudice to, the subject matter thereof. No new matter has been added.

Accordingly, the claims pending and under consideration are claims 1-4, 6, 8 and 10-13.

Early favourable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance of claims 1-4, 6, 8 and 10-13 be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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